# **Minutes**

# Placer County Systems of Care Network Provider Committee Meeting

Facilitator: Twylla Abrahamson April 09, 2008

#### **Check-In:**

Attendees: Twylla Abrahamson, Cami Burke, Michelle Johnson, Tom Lind, Honey

Cowan, Nicole Paul and Betty Readle

**Absent:** Eric Branson

Review of Minutes – 03/12/08

Minutes reviewed and approved.

#### **Announcements/Information:**

Honey Cowan brought in two flyers, one announcing Riding High Equestrians annual fund raiser "Family Fun Day" and the other a list of the Program Rates for their "Enrichment/Prevention" program. She also contributed an article for the next Provider Network Newsletter. The Sacramento Bee featured an article about a grant for Riding High. Nicole will write an article on current happenings at SFS for the newsletter.

### **Discussion/Action Items:**

- Chart auditing update
  - ✓ What we are experiencing:
    - Tom and Michelle gave an update on the Provider audits, four audits have been done to date. Some of the finding include: 1) lack of treatment plans in some files 2) some progress notes are missing the provider's signature, license number and client name as well as missing the case number, the location and the units. We are starting to get the HCFA1500 and comparing the progress notes with the charges. Tom noted that it has been a trial and error process but as we move forward we should be able to provide feedback the will benefit everyone
  - ✓ Lorna and Loraine Brown are up next for the audit. Honey will be having her audit on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - ✓ Twylla noted that as the tools are modified, they will be sent to the providers and posted on the web site. We have received some helpful feed back from providers about our system. One of the things we have noticed is that some providers have treatment plans and some do not, so we are revising the "Request for reauthorization" form to include more prompts and we are changing the name to include "treatment plan". In this way it serves a dual purpose as a treatment plan and a reauthorization request form. Once this form is signed by the client, it will meet all of DMH's requirements for a treatment plan.

- ✓ Michelle inquired if SFS and Riding High accept Victim Witness reimbursement clients. Both do. There was a brief discussion on proper billing for clients with this funding as it is lifetime benefit and Medi-cal should be used prior to victim witness funds.
- ✓ Tonya Elliott is a R.A.F.T worker who is interested in joining this committee and will ask her supervisor David Brownstein to approve. Honey inquired if a probation officer be an appropriate member for this committee. It was agreed that his would be an interesting perspective. She had asked both Tonya and Terry Sears to join the committee. Christina Cook, Honeys assistant, will get this committee Terry Sears and the probation officers email address.

# • Placer County HHS / community group list:

We are in the process of creating a list of Network Providers who offer county clients group therapy and then will include that information in the newsletter. ASOC, through MHSA and the Welcome Center, is trying to get a list all of their groups and put it on their calendar of activities. CSOC also needs to work on developing a similar list. Michelle will work on gathering this information. Twylla reviewed the newly established Group Rate which is \$36.00 per person for 120 minute session, (90 minutes for group and 30 minutes for documentation). For Medi-cal purposes there must be separate documentation for each county client in the group. These are considered Mental Health Groups not non-behavioral health groups.

Honey commented that she is still trying to get her Grandparents parenting grandchildren group going. It was suggested that she connect with the "Kinship Support Services Program" in Roseville. Michelle will forward the email information to Honey.

Twylla suggested that our task, as the MCU, is to see if any of the Network Providers would be able to offer any groups. Then gather that information and inform the caseworks so they can refer their clients. The billing and authorization process has been worked out.

- Workforce Development Survey. E version and mail versions sent:
   As a requirement of MHSA funding, the Workforce Development Survey needs to be done by all. This was sent out via email from Survey Monkey. Nicole said her organization did receive it, and Honey was not sure but would check into it. We will be sending our own Provider Satisfaction Survey out to all the providers shortly. We will send it out via both email and US mail.
- Future monthly vs. quarterly Network Provider meetings: Does the group want to change our meeting from monthly to bi-monthly or quarterly? The group agreed to a bi-monthly format.

#### • Future collaborative:

The Managed Care Unit is seeking topics for our future Network Provider Collaborative, which will be on Friday May 30<sup>th</sup>. As mentioned previously there

is no budget for paid speakers. Michelle suggested a presentation on attachment and loss for the May collaborative. She has some videos that cover that subject. . **ACTION ITEM**: Tom said he might be able to get Sierra Adoptions to do a presentation and will contact Jen to reserve Loomis Veterans Hall for the 30<sup>th</sup>. He and Michelle will continue to look for outside providers to do presentations. Twylla wanted a flyer put together that can be included in the packets and in the newsletter.

Twylla noted that there is an Autism training coming up in June for county staff. Nicole suggested that one of the staff who attends this training could do a presentation at the fall collaborative. Another topic that would pair well with Autism is a Brain and Trauma training.

Other suggestions: Linda Helling, Diane Shively, parent and youth perspectives on navigating the system.

## **Clinical Consultation:**

## **Open Discussion:**

- Discussion on group gaps
- Honey Cowan wanted to inform the committee that there is a program in Yreka that gets 100% payment from Medi-Cal for their riding program. She met with Tom from the Placer County Board of Supervisors and gave him the proposal to present at a future board meeting. She will notify us of the exact date so that we can have Richard Knecht attend.

Next meeting will be June 11<sup>th</sup>.